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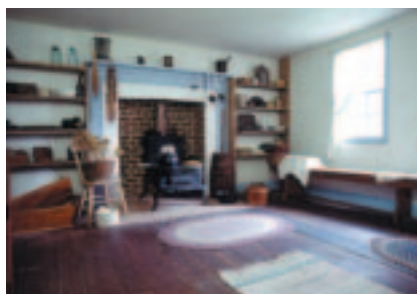


Sheep and Wool
Festival

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An historic escape

Almost 140 years ago, a 26-year-old actor played out a real-life scene that was to become one of our nation's most sorrowful events. Join us on **Wednesday, May 5**, as we retrace the escape route taken by the infamous John Wilkes Booth following the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. The tour, led by historians from the Surratt House and Tavern, visits several stops Booth made during his 12-day trek on horseback, wagon, and rowboat. Although during his escape Booth traveled from Washington to Maryland and into Virginia, we'll visit the sites in Southern Maryland.



Surratt House and Tavern

Our tour begins at Ford's Theatre and continues to the Surratt House where Booth and his accomplice, David Herold, picked up weapons.

The owner of the Surratt House and Tavern, Mary Surratt was the first woman to be hanged by the federal government. Her son, John, who had conspired with others to capture Lincoln and ransom him for Confederate soldiers, fled to Europe but was brought back two years later. His trial ended in a hung jury.

The tour also takes us to the home of Dr. Samuel A. Mudd, the doctor who treated Booth's leg which was broken when he fell to the stage after

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We're 90!

Celebrate Community Day at the Center

The Village of Friendship Heights turns 90 this year and we're celebrating in style. Join us at the Village Center on **Tuesday, April 13, from 7 to 9 p.m.** for fun, food, and fellowship. The Friendship Heights Village Council invites Village residents to take part in this anniversary celebrating the founding of Friendship Heights 90 years ago and of the opening of the Village Center 18 years ago. The day will feature a look at the Village over the last nine decades with a presentation by local historian William Offutt.

We have something special planned for residents who were born in 1914 or earlier—please call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 by Thursday, April 8, if you would like to be recognized. Refreshments will be light fare from Kirsten's, a delightful café in Silver Spring. Come on your own or bring friends and family. There is no charge for this event.

Former EPA Administrator Russell Train to speak at Center

Russell Train, chairman emeritus of the World Wildlife Fund, former head of both the Council on Environmental



Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency, and founder of the African Wildlife Foundation, will discuss his book *Politics, Pollution, and Pandas* at the Village Center **Thursday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m.**

Mr. Train has led a remarkable life in conservation and environmental politics, and his work has had a profound and lasting influence. He helped to devise and implement many of the nation's most important positive environmental policies that remain with us today. *Politics, Pollution, and Pandas* is a fascinating, behind-the-scenes account of the politics of the environment over much of the last half century.

Please sign up in advance, as seating will be limited. Call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 to register. Copies of the book, provided by Politics and Prose Bookstore, will be available for sale.

Don't be a victim of senior scams, see page 16

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Song and dance for children

Glen Echo's Adventure Theatre returns to Friendship Heights for a 10-week program of singing, dancing, and storytelling for children. The program, designed to promote dramatic expression, begins **Friday, April 16 and continues each Friday through June 18, from 10 to 10:45 a.m.** at the Village Center. There will be no class on Friday, May 21. This course is designed for children ages 2 1/2 to 5. Using songs and games, children will delight in learning finger plays, rhymes, and simple dance movements. At least one adult must accompany every two to three children. **The cost of the 10-week session is \$95, payable to Adventure Theatre.** A minimum of 12 children is required for the class. Sign-ups begin immediately. Space is limited, and this class usually fills quickly, so sign up soon. For additional information, call the Village Center at 301-656-2797.

Bob Brown Puppets bring Old MacDonald's Farm to the Center

Bring your toddler and join us for a morning of merriment as we welcome the Bob Brown Puppets to the Village Center on **Saturday, April 24 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Little ones, their parents and siblings are invited to a puppet show featuring Old MacDonald's Farm, complete with a hoppy frog.

Bob Brown Puppets, an acclaimed children's theater production company for 30 years, has appeared regularly on Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood and performs for more than 300,000 people each year.

Children are welcome to bring their blankets and a picnic lunch. We'll provide drinks and dessert. There is no charge for this event, but call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 if you plan to attend. It's important to get an accurate count of how many will be attending. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, April 22.

Calling all young chess players!

The Village Center is thinking about starting a chess club for school-age youngsters. Please let us know if you have an interest in participating. Call the Center at 301-656-2797 and leave your name, phone number, age, and days of the week that would be convenient for you.



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ON the GO...

Library of Congress

The Library of Congress, a marvel of art and architecture, has the world's largest collection of books, maps, and other materials. Join us on **Monday, May 10**, for a tour of this magnificent building, including a special exhibit of the life and career of Winston Churchill entitled "Churchill and the Great Republic."

Following our tour we will ride to Bistro Bis for lunch. This lovely French restaurant is included each year in *Washingtonian's* list of "Very Best Restaurants." Choose (when you sign up) onion soup or salad as an appetizer; sautéed trout or coq au vin for an entrée; and, crème brûlée or sorbet for dessert. Coffee and hot tea are included; wine or soft drinks will be an extra charge.

Please be aware that we will be walking for almost two hours. Comfortable shoes are a must.

We will leave the Village Center at 9:15 a.m. and return by 2:30 p.m. Cost of the trip is \$59, which includes tours, transportation, lunch, and all gratuities.

Residents and one guest may sign up immediately; nonresidents may sign up April 7. There are 25 spaces available.

Sheep thrills at the 30th annual Sheep and Wool Festival

Spend a day at the Howard County Fairgrounds on **Sunday, May 2**, and enjoy the 2004 Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival. Where else can you attend a shepherding seminar, a lamb cook-off, working sheepdog demonstrations, or a class in cutting knitted fabrics? A highlight will be the "Sheep to Shawl Contest" where contestants shear, spin and weave – sheep to finished product in a few hours. And, of course, there will be a Lamb & Wool Queen as well as a Shepherd of the Year chosen.

More than 200 vendors will sell supplies, knitted garments and items, baskets, and traditional handcrafts. There will be live music, good food (bring cash), and hundreds of sheep!

We will leave the Village Center at 9:30 a.m. and return by 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$25, which pays for transportation, all admissions and gratuities. Residents and one guest may sign up immediately; nonresidents may sign up beginning April 7. There are 25 spaces available.

A day in a 'Wonderful Town'

There are a few tickets left for "Wonderful Town." Join us for a day trip to New York City on **Saturday, April 17**, to see a matinee.

Based upon the play *My Sister Eileen*, "Wonderful Town" stars Donna Murphy and boasts music by Leonard Bernstein with lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. Critics have called it "irresistible" and "the biggest, hottest hit of the season."

We will leave the Village Center at 7:30 a.m. and arrive in New York for lunch. We'll depart New York immediately after the show and stop for a fast-food dinner (lunch and dinner on your own). We will arrive back in Friendship Heights before 11 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$165, which includes a seat in the Orchestra (at a 20 % discount), transportation, all taxes, and gratuities.

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Thespians to discuss 'Life of Tennessee Williams'

Performers Vivienne Shub and Naomi Greenberg-Slovin will share their love for and their knowledge of the theater in a talk about playwright Tennessee Williams at the Village Center on **Tuesday, April 20, at 1 p.m.**



Vivienne Shub was an original company member of Center Stage in Baltimore and has been called "the grande dame of the Baltimore theater scene." She appeared there in "Hedda Gabler;" her TV and movie roles include "Homicide" and "Runaway Bride." Her sister, Naomi Greenberg-Slovin, is a professional musician who has worked as a psychologist and has vast experience with writing, research, and translating. The two recently teamed up to present a series on playwrights at the Everyman Theatre in Baltimore.

There is no charge for the lecture, but please call 301-656-2797 to let us know if you plan to attend.

'Fences' at Round House

August Wilson's "Fences" enjoyed a long run on Broadway and earned the playwright a Pulitzer Prize in 1987. Set in the 1950s, it is the story of Troy Maxson, a former Negro League baseball player who has to settle for work as a garbage collector because of the ban on black athletes in the major leagues. When his son wants to attend college on a sports scholarship, Troy is opposed to the idea and "fences" are erected between father and son.

Join the "August Wilson, Playwright" class when they see an evening production of "Fences" at Round House Theatre on **Wednesday, April 28**. We will meet at the Village Center at 7:15 p.m. and walk to the Metro for the short ride to Bethesda. The cost of the ticket is \$30; there are 19 tickets available.

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The politics of the 2004 elections: strategies, tactics and issues

James Thurber, Director of the Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies at American University and frequent news analyst for CBS, will speak at the Village Center on **Monday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m.** He will discuss this year's presidential and congressional elections.



Dr. Thurber is the principal investigator of a seven-year grant from The Pew Charitable Trusts to the Campaign Management Institute to study campaign conduct. He is author and co-author of numerous books and more than 75 articles on Congress, congressional-presidential relations, congressional budgeting, congressional reform, interest groups and lobbying, and campaigns and elections.

Dr. Thurber has been on the faculty at American University since 1974 and was honored as the University Scholar/Teacher of the Year in 1996. He has worked on four reorganization efforts for committees in the U.S. House and U.S. Senate from 1976 to present. He was Director of the Human Affairs Research Centers of the Battelle Memorial Institute and served as acting Dean of the School of Government and Public Administration at American University.

There is no charge for the lecture, but please call 301-656-2797 to let us know if you plan to attend.

Post's Ann Gerhart to discuss book about First Lady

Ann Gerhart of *The Washington Post* has covered Laura Bush since 2001. Ms. Gerhart will discuss her book, *The Perfect Wife: The Life and Choices of Laura Bush*, at the Village Center on **Monday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m.**

Through this unparalleled access to the President's wife, Ms. Gerhart has been able to uncover the woman behind the public perception and carefully maintained image.

Ann Gerhart has worked at the Style section of The Washington Post since 1995 and wrote the paper's "Reliable Source" column for three and a half years.

Please sign up in advance, as seating will be limited. Call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 to register. Copies of the book, provided by Politics and Prose Bookstore, will be available for sale.

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Thursday, April 1, 7:15 p.m. — *Mona Lisa Smile.*

Julia Roberts plays Katherine Watson, a new young art history professor in the 1950s. Unfortunately for free-minded Berkeley grad Watson, her East Coast teaching stint comes during a less-progressive time. Also stars Kirsten Dunst, Julia Stiles, Marcia Gay Harden and Dominic West. Rated PG. Running Time: 109 minutes.

Thursday, April 8, 7:15 p.m. — *The Missing.*

Director Ron Howard turns to the Western genre in this tale of a father and daughter brought together under difficult circumstances in the 1880s. Tommy Lee Jones plays Samuel Jones, man who has abandoned his

family years before. When he decides to return home, he discovers his wife has died and his daughter has no desire to reconcile with her father. Rated R. Running Time: 135 minutes.

Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., — *Café Muse*, see page 14 for details.

Thursday, April 22, 7:30 p.m. — *Booksigning with Russell Train*. See page 1 for details.

Thursday, April 29, 7:30 p.m. — *How to avoid senior scams seminar*. See page 16 for details.

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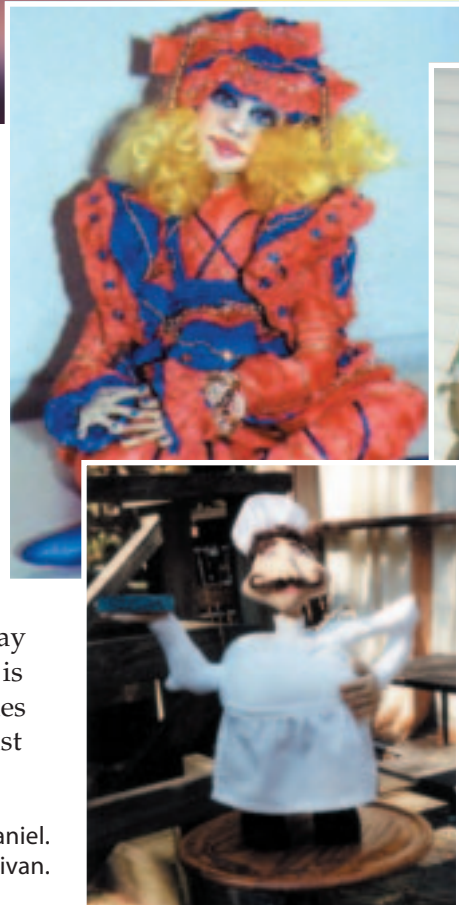
The dolls are back!

The very creative works of the G Street Doll Club will be on display in the Friendship Gallery at the Village Center during the month of April.

The work of the G Street Doll Artists is nationally known. These dolls are very sophisticated works of art made of cloth, paper, wood, or porcelain. Each one is unique — and all are delightful.

The exhibit begins April 1 and runs through April 30. The public is invited to meet the artists at a reception on **Sunday, April 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Exhibit hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Artwork in the auditorium is occasionally not available for viewing because of activities in that room. Please check with the front desk receptionist when you arrive.

Top: "Ella" and "Vintage Vera" by Sue Daniel.
Bottom: "Chef Server" by Celia Sullivan.



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The Friendship Heights Village Center is open to everyone. People who live or work in the Village are especially welcome.

THIS MONTH’S SPECIAL LUNCH AND PROGRAM



This month’s Special Lunch will be held on **Friday, April 30, at 12:15 p.m.** Lunch will be meat loaf, mashed potatoes, peas with mushrooms, green salad, and cake for dessert. The cost is \$6, which must be paid when your reservation is made. Please reserve your seat by Wednesday, April 28.

After lunch, please stay to enjoy a special concert at **1 p.m.** Pianist/Vocalist Mark Hanak has been entertaining audiences since he was 12 years old. He will perform the music of Cole Porter.


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Village Center Hours

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Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Friendship Heights Village Center is open to everyone. People who live or work in the Village are especially welcome.

THIS MONTH’S SPECIAL LUNCH AND PROGRAM



This month’s Special Lunch will be held on **Friday, April 30, at 12:15 p.m.** Lunch will be meat loaf, mashed potatoes, peas with mushrooms, green salad, and cake for dessert. The cost is \$6, which must be paid when your reservation is made. Please reserve your seat by Wednesday, April 28.

After lunch, please stay to enjoy a special concert at **1 p.m.** Pianist/Vocalist Mark Hanak has been entertaining audiences since he was 12 years old. He will perform the music of Cole Porter.



CLASSES and CLUBS

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL CLASSES.
PARTICIPANTS MUST PAY FOR THE FULL SESSION. NO REFUNDS AFTER CLASS BEGINS.**

NEW CLASSES

ACTIVE FOR LIFE

This 20-week course is a motivational program for increasing physical activity in sedentary but healthy people over fifty. It is not an exercise class. It teaches skills to help participants incorporate more activity throughout each day. There is no charge for the program. Meets Mondays at 1:30 p.m., beginning May 10. Informational meeting on April 26. To apply, call 301-255-4205.

AUGUST WILSON, PLAYWRIGHT

A 4-week course, taught by Ed Starr, begins April 14. Meets Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Students will read and discuss "Fences" and one other play by August Wilson. There will be an optional trip to see "Fences" at Round House Theatre on April 28 at 8 p.m. (tickets are \$30). Ed is an actor and director and president of the Montgomery County Seniors Theatre. Cost for the course for residents is \$25; nonresidents pay \$40. All materials are included in the fee. Course ends May 5. *See page 4 for details.*

BEGINNING AND CONTINUING YOGA

This 5-week class in Hatha Yoga is taught by Robin Dinerman and begins April 25. Meets Sundays from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The session includes postures, stretches, and coordinated breathing, as well as a quiet period for relaxation and meditation. Wear loose clothing, bring a blanket or large towel and mat (can be purchased at class). Don't eat for 2 hours before class.

The cost is \$55 for residents and \$70 for non-residents. Session ends June 6 (there will be no class May 16 or 30).

BEGINNING AND CONTINUING YOGA (Evening)

This 6-week class in Hatha Yoga is taught by Robin Dinerman and begins April 19. Meets Mondays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The session includes postures, stretches, and coordinated breathing, as well as a quiet period for relaxation and meditation. Wear loose clothing, bring a blanket or large towel and mat (can be purchased at class). Don't eat for 2 hours before class. The cost is \$65 for residents and \$80 for non-residents. Session ends May 24.

BONES FOR LIFE

Stand tall and add a spring to your step with weight-bearing exercises that promote healthy bones. Perk up with relaxation and breathing techniques, based on the Feldenkrais Method. The 4-week series meets Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., beginning April 15. Cost is \$45. Last class is May 6. The instructor, Hedy Ohringer, is certified to teach Feldenkrais and Bones for Life. All classes are designed for new students and alumni, too.

CHINESE BRUSH PAINTING

A 10-week class taught by Helene Sze McCarthy begins May 13. Meets Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. Cost is \$72 for 65 and over; \$120 for all others. Session ends July 15.

INTRODUCTION TO PASTEL

A 6-week session begins May 11.

Meets Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This class is suitable for beginners as well as more experienced students. Some basic drawing skills helpful but not required. Students will learn to achieve the brilliant and atmospheric effects of the medium of pastel. Instructor will demonstrate the principles of mark making, color layering and blending unique to this medium. Students may work in chalk or oil pastel but chalk pastel is recommended as it is more manageable and forgiving. A supply list will be sent to students prior to the first class. Instructor Tamora Ilasat is a printmaker who has been drawing and painting for over 20 years. The cost is \$35 for residents; \$45 for nonresidents. Session ends June 15.

MAT PILATES

A 6-week session begins April 27. Meets Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$65 for residents and \$75 for nonresidents. Minimum of 10 students required; maximum of 15. Instructor Ginger Russell has been certified in Pilates Matwork Exercises by the *PhysicalMind Institute*. Not recommended for pregnant women or those who have compromised spinal conditions. Please bring a cushioned mat and bath towel. Last class is June 1.

STILL LIFE PAINTING

A 5-week course for all skill levels with noted artist Joan Samworth begins May 13. Meets Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Any medium may be used. The cost is \$35 for residents; \$45 for nonresidents. Last class is June 10. Maximum of ten students.



STORYTELLING

A 3-week session taught by Ellouise Schoettler, professional storyteller and artist. Meets Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. beginning April 17. The cost is \$30 for residents; \$35 for nonresidents. The deadline to sign up is April 15. *See story below.*

STRENGTH TRAINING WITH NRH REGIONAL REHAB

A certified athletic trainer from NRH Regional Rehab in the Chevy Chase building leads a strength and conditioning class for seniors. A 10-week session begins April 28. Meets Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Cost is \$50. Please register by phone at 301-986-4745. Session ends June 30.

TAI CHI (Thursday)

This 6-week session begins April 8. Meets Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$30. Session ends May 13.

TAI CHI (Tuesday)

This 6-week session begins April 13. Meets Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$30. Session ends May 18.

TAI CHI EXTRA (Tuesday)

This half-hour class is especially, but not only, for beginners. It is an opportunity to review the rudiments of Tai Chi and to receive personal instruction. This 6-week session begins April 13. Meets Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11 a.m. The cost is \$15. A minimum of 12 people is required. Session ends May 18.

Thursdays are for Toddlers

Looking for a fun place to take your toddler on Thursdays? Consider Village Playtime at the Village Center. Children can play with puppets, bowl with brightly colored stuffed animals, learn their ABCs and numbers with colorful giant foam mats, pretend they're visiting a post office, grocery store and theater, climb through tunnels, construct with building blocks and much, much more. The toys, most



of them made by Discovery Toys, are fun and educational. Village Playtime is a free drop-in open house offered **every Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Village Center.** From 3 to 4 p.m., children can watch kid-oriented videos on our giant screen TV. Children of all ages are welcome, but toys are most suitable for children one to five years of age. Board games are also available for older children. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver, friend or family member over age 13. For more information, call the Village Center at 301-656-2797.

Create an oral family history

Tell me a story. How often have you heard children and grandchildren make that simple request? Through storytelling, we learn about our ancestors and create memories for generations to come. Learn the fine art of storytelling as Ellouise Schoettler presents a three-part class at the Center **Saturday, April 17 through Saturday, May 1 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

In this class, Ms. Schoettler, a visual artist and storyteller, combines visual art, family history and personal memories into stories about everyday moments in the lives of ordinary people. She has recently brought her stories to the University of Maryland, Strathmore Hall and the Friendship Heights Village Center.

The cost of the course is \$30 for Village residents; \$35 for non-residents. Sign ups begin immediately at the Village Center. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, April 15.

An historic escape, continued from page 1

shooting Lincoln.

Next, we'll enjoy a Southern Maryland luncheon at Capt. Billy's, a quaint seafood restaurant along the shores of the Potomac. For lunch, you have a choice of crab cake, shrimp salad or chicken as an entrée, fries, coleslaw, and dessert. Soda or iced tea is also included.

Our final stop will be Loyola Retreat, a hilly, grassy spot where Herold and Booth boarded rowboats to cross the Potomac to Virginia.

This tour not only offers an opportunity to explore these historic sites—most of the furniture in Dr. Mudd's house and the Surratt House is original—but to retrace history.

We'll depart from the Village Center at 7 a.m., to arrive at Ford's Theatre for a tour before the theatre actually opens. We should return by 4:30 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$55. Sign-ups for residents and one guest begin immediately. Nonresidents may sign up beginning April 7. There are 29 spaces available.

CONCERTS ARE PERFORMED WEDNESDAYS, FROM 7:30 – 8:30 P.M., IN HUNTLEY HALL

Wednesday, April 21 — Ellouise Schoettler. With “Patchwork” storyteller Ellouise Schoettler creates her own kind of quilt constructed with stories that cel-

Wednesday, April 28 — Emely Phelps. Pianist Emely Phelps of Frederick, Maryland will present a concert of classical music from the baroque era through the 20th century. Among the works on her program will be Carl Vineâs First Piano Sonata, commissioned by the Sydney Dance Company in 1990. Emely, a student of Dr. Marjorie Lee, was the 2002 winner of the National Symphony Young Soloists Competition and made her debut with the National Symphony Orchestra at the age of 16 performing the Schumann Concerto. She has performed in venues in and around Washington including the Kennedy Center Concert Hall and Terrace Theater, Strathmore Hall and the Lyceum.

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Brain Tumors: are they more common today?

Is the incidence of brain tumors really increasing, or are our diagnostic methods just better? Neurosurgeon Gregory Rubino will talk about brain tumors, the symptoms they exhibit and the recent advances in treatment at this month's Suburban lecture on **Wednesday, April 14.**

There is no cost for the lecture, but please call 301-656-2797 to let us know if you plan to attend.

Estate planning and estate administration

Attorney Lawrence Abrams will conduct the second in a series of three on **Thursday, April 8, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.,** entitled "Transfers at Death Under the Will (Probate) and Transfers at Death Outside the Will (No Probate)." The free presentation will be "non-technical" with time for questions. Please sign up in advance if you plan to attend. Call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 to register.

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The AARP Driver Safety Program (formerly "55 Alive") is the nation's largest classroom driver refresher course specially designed for motorists age 50 and older. The eight-hour course helps drivers refine skills and techniques. Upon successfully completing the course, graduates may be eligible to receive a discount on their auto insurance.

The course will be offered **Thursday, May 13** and **Friday, May 14** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Village Center. The cost is \$10 and checks should be made out to AARP. Students must bring their driver's license and a ball point pen to class. Space is limited to 20 people. Sign-ups begin immediately.

Cafe Muse presents...

This month's Café Muse, on **Thursday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m.**, presents poets Stephen Corey and Jim Peterson.

Stephen Corey is the author of 10 poetry collections, including *There Is No Finished World*, *Greatest Hits*, *Mortal Fathers and Daughters* and *All These Lands You Call One Country*. His poems have appeared in *The American Poetry Review*, *Poetry*, *The Kenyon Review*, *The New Republic*, *The North American Review*, *Ploughshares*, and other periodicals.

Jim Peterson's most recent full-length collection is *The Owning Stone*, winner of the Benjamin Saltman Award. Previous collections include *The Man Who Grew Silent*, *An Afternoon With K*, and *Carvings on a Prayer Tree*. His novel *Paper Crown* is scheduled for publication in fall 2004, and his new poetry collection *The Last Child* in 2005. He is currently Coordinator of Creative Writing at Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va.

Classical guitar selections performed by Michael Davis are presented each month at 7 p.m. Attending poets are invited to participate in an open reading that concludes the Café Muse program. A sign-up sheet will be available at 7 p.m.

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Be smart and safe: How to avoid senior scams

Representatives from the Montgomery County Police Crime Prevention Division and the County's Division of Consumer Affairs will speak at a seminar on senior scams at the Village Center on **Thursday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m.** Topics will include senior fraud, identity theft, personal safety, and crimes against seniors.

Senior citizens in this country are swindled out of \$40 billion a year. During a six-month period last year, 39 seniors in Bethesda and Chevy Chase (including 17 in Friendship Heights) reported being a victim of identity theft involving their personal financial information. Nine Florida residents were arrested in a scam

that involved calling victims and pretending to be a credit card company. The caller said there was a problem with the victim's account and asked for pertinent information such as social security and bank account numbers. Eventually, the scam artists were able to wire money from the victims' bank accounts to locations in Florida. Another type of fraud involves foreign lotteries that require payment of export fees. Victims can lose thousands of dollars in "fees." Don't let this happen to you!

There is no cost for attending this discussion, but please call 301-656-2797 to reserve a seat.



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